

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. If they are going to air this documentary so close to election time, then Michael Moore should be able to put Fahrenheit 9/11 on TV before the election too. Have you SEEN Fahrenheit 9/11? What effect do you think that would have on the minds of the viewers? Bush's chances at being elected would be destroyed. This is what Sinclair is trying to do to Kerry. This is not what the founders of this country meant by "Democracy." Let the news be truly unbiased and impartial. A brainwashed society is not "Free."

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. If they are going to air their documentary so close to election time, then Michael Moore should be able to put Fahrenheit 9/11 on TV before the election too. Have you SEEN Fahrenheit 9/11? What effect do you think that would have on the minds of the viewers?

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.